trol industrial pollution are as follows:

Year	Number of units closed
1992-93	51
1993-94	26
1994-95	30
	107

Apart from these 107 industries, the Hon'ble Supreme Court had on different dates ordered the closure of more than 500 industrial units in the Taj Trapezium Zone and in the Ganga Basin. The compliance of these industries is being monitored by the Hon'ble Court.

(c) These 107 industries belong to 13 categories, namely Aluminium Smelter, Cement, Distillery, Dyes & Dye Intermediate Fertilizer, Leather, Pesticide, Petrochemical, Basic Drugs & Pharmaceuticals, Pulp & Paper, Oil Refinery, Sugar and Thermal Power Plant-

(d) None of the 107 units is presently in operation.

Furs of Wild Species seized in Darjeeling

1279. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in the recent past Darjeeling Police have reportedly arrested a person in Darjeeling town with a truck load of valuable furs, allegedly belonging to precious wild species from Hamilayan region worth crores of rupees in international market;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the same has been handed over to the authorities of wildlifie department in Darjeeling by the local police authorities; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH); (a) Yes, Sir- The international market value of these seized product is however not likely to be more than Rs. 1 lakh.

(b) and (c) The State Government have reported that 190 Kgs of animal fur was seized by the Police from Darjeeling town and the case was handed over to the State Wildlife Authorities. The consignment was got examined by the Zoological survey of India who have reported that it contains mixed furs of flying squirrels and cats.

Allotment of forest land

1280. SHRI SOM PAL: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have seen an article by the famous journalists, Usha Rai, headlined "Government Plans to put a lifeline on rent";

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that Government are considering leasing out forest lands to industries;

(c) if so, what is the rationale thereof;

(d) whether Government would like to allot such lands on long-term lease to tribals, farmers, ex-se-vfcemen and educated unemployed persons; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH)- (a) Yes, Sir.